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TOWN OF HERNDON RECYCLING CENTER TO CLOSE

Herndon, VA (June 25, 2010) – Effective Monday, July 5, the recycling center located at 1481 Sterling Road will close.

The closing of the recycling center is among the service and program reductions included in the town's fiscal year (FY) 2011 budget, adopted by the Herndon Town Council on June 8, 2010. FY 2011 begins July 1, 2010 and ends June 30, 2011.

Town-wide curbside recycling continues every Wednesday. In 2008, the town's Department of Public Works implemented "single stream" recycling. Items that may now be co-mingled into one (or more) curbside containers include aluminum and glass containers, newsprint, cardboard, magazines and catalogs, cereal boxes, telephone books and printer/copier paper. PET #1 plastics, narrow neck #2 HDPE plastics, narrow neck and screwtop plastics may also be recycled; these include items such as milk, water, detergent and shampoo bottles as well as plastic toys, drinking cups and flower pots.

"The successful introduction of single stream recycling into our curbside recycling program, coupled with a need to reduce costs in order to balance the budget, resulted in the ultimate decision to close the recycling center," said Robert B. Boxer, director of Public Works. "Citizens are encouraged to take full advantage of our curbside program."

Following the closure of the Herndon center, recycling centers nearest to the town are located at 2531 Reston Parkway, Reston, and 400 W. Laurel Avenue, Sterling. Motor oil and other hazardous waste may be taken to Fairfax County's West Ox Road Transfer Station Complex, 4618 West Ox Road, Fairfax.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 25,000 people. *Business Week* Magazine has named Herndon one of the nation's "Best Affordable Suburbs," and *Money* Magazine has ranked Herndon among its "Best Places for the Rich and Single."

For more information, visit the town's Web site at www.herndon-va.gov.

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